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I'm a software developer who's small business depends heavily on Microsoft products.

I would like the DOJ to settle this matter as quickly as possible.

In a capitalist economy the people "vote" with their wallets and the people have already voted in favor of Microsoft. We Like them! They are good for business.

Small businesses depend on the affordable tools provided by Microsoft. If we didn't, then we would buy our tools from the other guy.

The DOJ is not protecting the consumer they are only shielding other large businesses from the free market.

Thanks to the DOJ's efforts to "help", we now have serious instability in the economy. The DOJ's efforts have severely damaged millions of retirement plans and pushed thousands of small businesses out of existence. AND STILL Sun Micro Systems reports "Net loss for the first quarter was \$158 million" and Netscape can't even GIVE AWAY its Internet browser. Let's face it, these guys cannot compete even with the DOJ's thumb on the scales of justice.

DOJ, please settle this action as soon as you can. Your efforts to "help" the consumer are killing us off.

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